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SUBJ: UNIVERSITY OF GHANA MAY REOPEN AUGUST 26

- 1. A STATEMENT ISSUED BY REGISTRAR'S OFFICE. UNIVERSITY OF GHANA (LEGON) ON AUGUST 19 SAYS STUDENTS SHOULD RETURN TO CAMPUS ON AUGUST 26, RATHER THAN ON SEPTEMBER 2 AS ANNOUNCED EARLIER. EXAMINATIONS ARE SCHEDULED TO BEGIN SEPTEMBER 12 AND END SEPTEMBER 20.
- 2. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH STUDENT ACTIVISTS ARE URGING THEIR FELLOWS TO KEEP UNIVERSITIES SHUT DOWN UNTIL HEAD OF STATE ACHEAMPONG IS REMOVED, IT IS NOT CLEAR WHAT STUDENTS WILL EVENTUALLY DECIDE TO DO. THEY APPEAR TO HAVE SEVERAL POSSIBLE COURSES OF ACTION:
- (A) REFUSE TO RETURN TO CAMPUS.
- (B) RETURN, SIT FOR EXAMINATIONS AND THEN CONSIDER DEMONSTRATING OR REFUSING TO RESUME STUDIES WHEN NEW ACADEMIC YEAR BEGINS IN NOVEMBER (AFTER EXAMINATIONS, UNIVERSITIES WILL CLOSE FOR ABOUT ONE MONGH TO PREPARE FOR NEW ACADEMIC YEAR).
- (C) RETURN ON SCHEDULE, FINISH EXAMINATIONS AND BEGIN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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NEW ACADEMIC YEAR WITHOUT INCIDENT.

3. SINCE STUDENTS ARE SPLIT, ANY OF THE ABOVE ARE POSSIBLE. AT THIS POINT OUR GUESS IS THAT ALTERNATIVE (B) IS MARGINALLY MOST LIKELY. HOLMES

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